

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- ~~1. A covering for a floor, wall or ceiling surface comprising:
a primary backing in part exposed on one side of the covering for
forming discrete wear surface portions of a wear surface of the covering;
a plurality of yarns tufted into said primary backing along remaining
parts of said primary backing forming cut or loop yarns on a back side of
said primary backing remote from said wear surface, leaving a plurality of
backstitches of the tufted yarns along and forming remaining portions of
said wear surface; and
a resin fixing said cut or loop pile tufted yarn along the back side of
said primary backing;
said backstitches and said primary backing portions exposed along
said wear surface having aesthetic characteristics distinguished from one
another.~~
- ~~2. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said primary backing is
formed of a woven material having an ultraviolet stabilizer.~~
- ~~3. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein each said backstitch
extends between a pair of needled openings along the wear surface
extending along and in engagement with the primary backing throughout
substantially the entirety of the extent of the backstitch between said
openings.~~
- ~~4. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said backstitches and
primary backing portions have different colorings to afford different
aesthetic effects.~~

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5. A covering according to Claim 1 including an EVA and calcium carbonate layer underlying the resin.
6. A covering according to Claim 5 including a secondary backing comprising a scrim embedded in the EVA and calcium carbonate layer.
7. A covering according to Claim 6 wherein said scrim comprises a woven polypropylene.
8. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the tufted yarns are of a continuous loop pile construction.
9. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the tufted yarns are of a cut loop pile construction.
10. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said primary backing is formed of a woven material having an ultraviolet stabilizer, said backstitches and primary backing portions having different colorings to afford different aesthetic effects, an EVA and calcium carbonate layer underlying the resin and a secondary backing comprising a scrim embedded in the EVA and calcium carbonate layer.
11. A covering according to Claim 10 wherein said scrim comprises a woven polypropylene, and wherein the tufted yarns are of a continuous loop construction.
12. A covering according to Claim 10 wherein said scrim comprises a woven polypropylene, and wherein the tufted yarns are of a cut loop construction.
13. A covering according to Claim 1 including a secondary backing underlying said resin and secured to said primary backing by said resin,

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said secondary backing including a needle-bonded synthetic fiber
backing.

14. A covering according to Claim 13 wherein said secondary
backing includes fibers formed of nylon and polypropylene.

15. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said primary backing
comprises a non-woven material formed of synthetic fibers.

16. A covering according to Claim 15 wherein said non-woven
fiber materials comprise nylon and polyester bonded to one another.

17. A covering according to Claim 15 wherein said resin comprises
a precoat of polyvinylchloride to fix the cut or loop yarns and a main
polyvinylchloride coating having a fiberglass stabilizer underlying the
precoat.

18. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the covering
comprises broadloom carpeting.

19. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the covering
comprises modular carpeting.

20. A covering for a floor, wall or ceiling surface comprising:

a woven primary backing having tufted and non-tufted portions on
one side thereof exposed for forming discrete wear surface portions of a
wear surface of the covering;

said tufted portions including a plurality of yarns tufted into said
primary backing and formed of cut or loop yarns on a back side of said
primary backing remote from said wear surface, leaving a plurality of

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backstitches of the tufted yarns along and forming part of said wear surface; and

a resin fixing said cut or loop tufted yarns along the back side of said primary backing;

said non-tufted portions comprising warp and weft yarns of said primary backing;

said tufted and non-tufted portions of said primary backing exposed along said wear surface having aesthetic characteristics distinguished from one another.

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